



Mary Elaine Kreider

January 2, 1943 - November 21, 2018

Mary Elaine Charles Kauffman Kreider, 75, passed away on Wednesday, November 21, 2018 following a three-year illness with lung disease. She was the wife of Dale Kreider, New Providence. They would have celebrated their 49th anniversary December 31. She was the daughter of the late Clayton Warfel and Edna Groff Charles.

Elaine was born in Lancaster and lived in Conestoga before moving with her family to a small farm in Manor Township. She graduated from Penn Manor High School in 1960 and began her 37 ½ year career as a secretary with Armstrong World Industries. She was fortunate to be able to retire at age 55 and then worked for 5 years as a Teacher's Aide at Pequea Preschool. Following this second retirement, Elaine volunteered with VisionCorps for several years and most recently had been a volunteer with Hospice & Community Care, which she very much enjoyed. She also enjoyed keeping in touch with and meeting with friends, especially her special Armstrong pals who have been getting together for more than 50 years. Her greatest joy was her family.

Elaine was an active member of Grace Community Church of Willow Street and loved the pastors, the friendly and supportive congregation, and the excellent Bible teaching and discipleship opportunities.

She will be lovingly remembered by her husband Dale; her sister Phyllis (wife of Donald Powell) West Chester; her brother David, wife Geraldine (Gamber) of Lancaster and their children Daniel of Astoria, New York, and Jessica (wife of Marcelo Corrales) of North Brunswick, New Jersey and the Corrales twins, David and Analisa. Also surviving is a sister-in-law JoLee Kwallek and daughter Leah Charles (wife of John Lockwood) of Bradford; and a niece Thirza (wife of Tom Peevey) and their daughter Marian of Versailles, Kentucky. James R. Kauffman, Wernersville, and Nancy Kauffman Sowers, Middletown, are part of Elaine's surviving family. Preceding her in death in addition to her parents were her first husband, Donald Paul Kauffman; her brother J. Wendell Charles; and her son Gregg Kauffman Kreider.

Thanks to the family, the many friends, and to the special people at Grace Community Church who gave encouragement and support to Elaine and Dale. And also thank you to the compassionate caregivers from Hospice & Community Care for their help during the last months of her life.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a memorial service at Grace Community Church, 212 Peach Bottom Road, Willow Street on Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 10:00AM. The family will receive friends during a reception at the church following the service. Interment will be at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Grace Community Church (marked Growing with Grace Fund) or to Hospice & Community care, 685 Good Drive, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 176040-4125. Arrangements entrusted to Reynolds Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., Quarryville, PA. To send an online note of condolence, please visit our website at reynoldsfuneralhome.net.

Events

DEC **Memorial Service** 10:00AM

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Grace Community Church
212 Peach Bottom Road, Willow Street, PA, US, 17584

Comments



“ Dale and family. Our heartfelt sympathies to you and your family. She was a wonderful woman who gave everything to her family and community. God needed another angel and he chose her. She is at home and at peace. We'll keep you in our prayers.

Louise and Clair Kreider Jr

Clair Kreider Jr. - November 30, 2018 at 07:54 AM



“ Dale and family, I was so very saddened to hear of the passing of Elaine. She was such a fantastic volunteer with Hospice & Community Care. She always went above and beyond and she will be truly missed! You are all in my thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time. Jacqueline Bilder, Hospice & Community Care.

Jacqueline - November 23, 2018 at 08:17 AM



“ O Dale: Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your extended family. I have such fond memories of you and Elaine from an earlier period in our lives. I always enjoyed my visits in your home and can't believe that was over 20 years ago. Reading of Elaine's passing makes it all feel like it was the day before yesterday. Perhaps we will see you again sometime. Sorry that we will not be able to attend calling hours or funeral. Grace and peace to you from Jesus, our Savior and our Lord..

Omer and Marty

Omer and/or Marty E King - November 24, 2018 at 08:42 PM